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# COMMUNITYLEISURE

## Stewart youth volunteer 1,950 hours, recognized for their 'selfless service'

Jessica Obermeyer

Fort Stewart Public Affairs

Fort Stewart Red Cross and Winn Army Community Hospital senior leadership gathered at Marne Lanes to honor more than 40 Fort Stewart youth who volunteered their time throughout the installation, July 31.

"All of you demonstrated a tremendous amount of selfless service," said Lt. Col. Kevin Forrest, Winn Army Community Hospital's deputy commander of administration. "You could have been out doing a number of other things, but you chose to spend your time helping others."

The youth volunteered throughout the installation, including the focal point of the hospital, the 1st Lt. George P. Havs Library, the contracting office, the vouth center, the veterinary clinic, and other MWR

"Our focus was to give our youth the opportunity to give something back to the community, to get them used to the work force, and to help them understand the importance of giving," said Alphonso Oliver, Fort Stewart Red Cross senior station manager.

In total, the youth volunteered approximately 1,950

"Our volunteers have been quite successful," said Oliver, who has been with the Red Cross for more than 32 years. "They have been essential in helping the Red Cross carry out its mission of helping people cope with emergencies and life's uncertainties.

In addition to assisting the staff in carry out its daily tasks, the youth volunteers were also a morale boost-

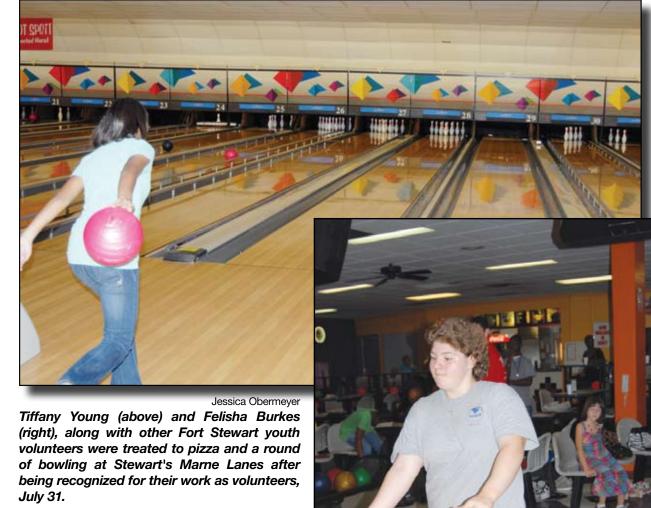
"Kids always seem to be upbeat and in a happy mood," said Susan Westbrook, Fort Stewart Red Cross assistant station manager. "It was great having them in the office; they brought a lot of joy."

The youth volunteers were between the ages of 11 and 18. In addition to working at different offices, the youth also took part in special projects to raise money for the Red Cross.

"I volunteered at a car wash and bake sale," said Kimberly Young, one of the youngest volunteers. "My favorite thing was helping raise money for others."

Kimberly's sister, Tiffany, also volunteered with the fundraising projects.

"I thought it was fun learning how to be responsi-



ble," said Tiffany. "I would like to volunteer again next year at the hospital.

Tiffany and Kimberly's mother agreed that the volunteer program is beneficial to the Stewart youth.

"I think it's great to let them know that there's a big community out here and what the Red Cross does for people during disasters and for military Families," said the girls' mother, Katria Young. "I think it's good to get them involved while they are young and to let them know that one person can make a difference."

Following the presentation of certificates, the youth were treated to pizza and a few rounds of bowling.



"The youth ministry and the Catholic youth of the chapel are serving other kids by providing this on-post community service event," said Charles Archer, Hunter youth ministry coordinator. "We are giving back to the Soldiers who are active duty who may need assis-

Bash for the Hunter community,

tance." Between the hours of 1 p.m. and 4 p.m. members of the community can stop by the chapel for free hotdogs and hamburgers. Children can participate in activities such as face painting or take on an inflatable challenge course while parents have the opportunity to gather information on upcoming activities at the chapel.

"There are a lot of events for the fall semester going on at the chapel," said Spc. Monica Smith, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 3rd Combat Aviation Brigade, 3rd Infantry Division, vice president of the parish council. "There are activities for children such as All Stars for Jesus and the youth ministries team is always participating in activities where

middle and high school students

There are also adult Bible studies beginning in the fall and the (Protestant Women of the Chapel) will be gearing up for the fall. This is really a good time for kids and parents to join and the Back-to-School Bash is an opportunity for them to

find out where they can plug in." In addition to food and games, the chapel also plans to give away school supplies to Families with school-aged children. Donations from various organizations and individuals make giving the supplies possible.

"We wanted to help the Soldiers and Family Members who, during this tough economy, need assistance to help their kids get an education," said Archer. "So at the Back-to-School Bash we are giving away school supplies so the children can be prepared for school."

Though the event targets Hunter Families with school-aged children, Archer says the bash doesn't exclude any Soldiers or members of the Hunter community from participating.

"All congregations are invited to participate - this is a non-denominational event," said Archer. "Anyone can come out and support or give to the Families in need. All Soldiers are welcome to come and participate."

Those interested in donating items for the school-supply give away may do so by contacting the Hunter Chapel at 315-5515 or drop off supply items at the chapel.



Hinesville traffic control officer, Michelle Allen, fingerprints James Dalrymple, 6, for a child identification kit. The kit, which contains a photo of the child, their fingerprints and information about scars and other unique marks, can be used my law enforcement agencies if the child is abducted or gets lost.

## **National Night Out** unites community

Sgt. Johnathon Jobson 3rd ID Public Affairs

The City of Hinesville held their 3rd National Night Out event at Bradwell Park, downtown Hinesville, Aug. 1.

National Night Out is designed to raise awareness of crime and drug prevention, generate support for local anti-crime programs, and send a message to criminals that the community is banding together and fighting back.

Held the first week of August each year, NNO is in its 26th year and had over 35 million participants across the country last year.

"National night out is an annual event held the first Tuesday of each August," stated Officer John F. Williams, crime prevention officer for Hinesville Police Department and organizer of Hinesville's NNO.

"We have ours on the first Saturday due to our school system starting the first week of August. National Night Out is an event, which brings the community together, civilian and military, in one area."

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#### The Proposal

Today—7 p.m.

(Sandra Bullock, Ryan Reynolds)

When high-powered book editor Margaret faces deportation to her native Canada, the quick-thinking exec declares that she's actually engaged to her unsuspecting put-upon assistant Andrew, who she's tormented for years. He agrees to participate in the charade but with a few conditions of his own. The unlikely couple heads to Alaska to meet his quirky family and the always-in-control city girl finds herself in one comedic fish-out-of-water situation after another. With an impromptu wedding in the works and an immigration official on their tails, Margaret and Andrew reluctantly vow to stick to the plan despite the precarious consequences. *Rated PG-13* (sexual content, nudity, language) 108 min

#### **Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen**

Friday, Saturday—7 p.m.

(Megan Fox, Shia LaBeouf)

Decepticon forces return to Earth on a mission to take Sam Witwicky prisoner, after the young hero learns the truth about the ancient origins of the Transformers. Joining the mission to protect human-kind is Optimus Prime, who forms an alliance with international armies for a second epic battle. *Rated PG-13 (intense sequences of sci-fi action violence, language, crude and sexual material, brief drug material)* 152 min

#### **Public Enemies**

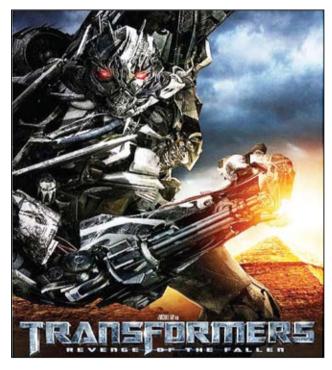
Sunday—7 p.m.

(Johnny Depp, Christian Bale)

No one could stop John Dillinger and his gang. No jail could hold him. His charm and audacious jail-

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breaks endeared him to almost everyone -- from his girlfriend Billie to an American public who had no sympathy for the banks that had plunged the country into the Depression. But while the adventures of Dillinger' gang thrilled many, J. Edgar Hoover made Dillinger America's first Public Enemy Number One. *Rated R (gangster violence, language) 140 min* 



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## Pets of the Week Looking for a good home...



## Bling the dog & Queen the cat

are two of the many homeless pets at the Fort Stewart animal shelter. The shelter has pets of all kinds, sizes and breeds in their care. If you are interested in adopting, call the Fort Stewart Veterinary Clinic at 767-2842.



### BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Provided by Winn Army Hospital

#### June 30

*Dylan Matthew Gobin*, a boy, 9 pounds, 15 ounces, born to Sgt. Benjamin L. Gobin and Jennifer V. Gobin.

#### July 4

*Jaison Lamar Thomas Jr.*, a boy, 6 pounds, 14 ounces, born to Sgt. Jaison Lamar Thomas and Staff Sgt. Tanya Polk.

#### July 19

*Kaleah Linh Mei Ling Liang*, a girl, 6 pounds, 13 ounces, born to Sgt. Qi Wan Liang and Kjar Liang. July 20

*Micah Nathan Alvarez*, a boy, 7 pounds, 14 ounces, born to Capt. Eduardo A. Alvarez and Lindsey Marie

Alvarez.

#### July 21

Jordyn Alison Bush, a girl, 7 pounds 11 ounces, born to Sgt. Jeffrey Bush and Katherine Michelle Bush.

*Jacob Robert McKinnon*, a boy, 7 pounds, 15 ounces, born to Maj. Johnny McKinnon and Joann McKinnon.

#### July 22

*Cyprus Edward Morales*, a boy, 10 pounds, 2 ounces, born to Pfc. Isaac A. Morales and Angelique Morales.

Marniyah Shaniece Ragsdale, a girl, 7 pounds, 8 ounces, born to Spc. Mario Ragsdale and Roselyn

Ragsdale.

#### July 23

*Kaden Isaiah Bailey*, a boy, 7 pounds, 14 ounces, born to Capt. Marcus Bailey and Capt. Katresha Bailey.

*Kaylynn Dawn Hasselbrink*, a girl, 7 pounds, 1 ounce, born to Sgt. Michael Hasselbrink and Pfc. Korie Toothman.

*Jimarion Elijah Husband*, a boy, 5 pounds, 14 ounces, born to Spc. Jim Husband and Cylena S. Husband.

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#### Remember Bryan Village Pool Hours

Bryan Village Outdoor Pool will continue with normal operating schedule until Sunday, (Aug. 9) then will operate only on Saturdays and Sundays from 1 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. until Labor Day (Sept. 7).

Fort Stewart Corkan Outdoor Pool and Hunter Outdoor Pool hours will continue with normal operating schedule through Labor Day, (Sept. 7).

All outdoor pools will close Sept. 8 and remain closed until the beginning of the new season in May 2010.

For more information, call outdoor pools at 767-2701 (Bryan Village), 767-8575 (Corkan) or 315-5786 (Hunter) from Monday-Sunday 11:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.

#### Register for Hunter GC's Golf Scramble

Registration ends Aug. 12 for the Hunter Garrison Commander's Golf Scramble.

Play will begin at 8 a.m. Aug. 14 with a shotgun start at the Hunter Golf Club, building 8205. The scramble is limited to the first 25 four-person teams.

Fees are \$35 for Taylors Creek and Hunter Golf Club Members, active duty, retirees, DoD Civilians, and \$40 for civilian guests of military team members.

For more information, call 315-9115.

#### Sign up for Summer Basketball Tourney

Sign up now for the single elimination Tominac Summer Basketball Tournament, which will be played beginning at 10 a.m. on Aug. 15. The registration deadline is Aug. 12.

The cost is \$50 per team (maximum 15-player roster). Open to Stewart and Hunter Active Duty Military, Reserves, Retirees, Family Members (ages 18 and older), DoD Civilians, and civilian guest of military team members.

Awards will be presented to top two teams. For details and registration, call Tominac Fitness Center, building 919, 315-2019 and Newman Fitness Center, building 439 on Stewart, at 767-3031.

#### Watch Atlanta Braves vs. Philadelphia Phillies

The Philadelphia Phillies and Atlanta Braves clash at Turner Field in Atlanta on Aug. 15, and you can be there to see all the action.

Register by Aug. 14 for the Aug. 15 trip. The bus leaves at 10:30 a.m. for the 4 p.m. game. The cost is \$50 per person, which includes admission and transportation.

For more information, call Fort Stewart Leisure Travel at 767-2841.

#### **Register for Charter Fishing Tournament**

Offshore Outlaw, a blue water fishing club out of Fort McAllister Marina, is offering Soldiers an opportunity to participate in an offshore charter fishing tournament Sept. 19.

The tournament is free to Soldiers, who need only to provide personal lunch, drinks and attend a

mandatory captain's meeting scheduled for 6 p.m., Sept. 18 at the marina. The tournament begins at 7 a.m. Sept.19.

All equipment and tackle will be provided by the boat owners.

Registration will begin Aug. 17 and continue until all slots are filled. For details and to sign up, call Stewart/Hunter: Outdoor Recreation 767-8205 / 315-9554, Pass and Permit 435-8061 / 315-5163, and Leisure Travel Office 767-8609 / 315-3674.

The Fort McAllister Marina is on GA Highway Spur 144E, minutes from Richmond Hill.

#### Listen to "Army Wives" Author to Speak

Tanya Biank, author of the nonfiction book "Army Wives" – on which the hit cable television series of the same name is based – will speak at the Book Club Meeting for Adults at 7 p.m., Aug. 20 at the George P. Hays Library, building 411.

Space is limited, so those who wish to attend are asked to pick up a ticket at the Hays Library while seats are available.

Biank, a Fulbright scholar and graduate of Penn State University, also is a columnist and serves as a consultant for the Lifetime television network's "Army Wives" series. She travels extensively, is frequently interviewed about Military Family life issues and speaks regularly to military and civilian groups about the military.

The Book Club Meeting for Adults gives participants an opportunity to be introduced to new authors and take part in book discussions. Books are provided for club members' use.

For more information, call 767-2828.

#### Compete in Golf Club Championship

Get in your practice rounds and make your plans now to compete in the 2009 Taylors Creek Annual Club Championship, which will be played, Aug. 22-23. The deadline to register is Aug. 20.

This 36-hole stroke play competition will determine the Taylors Creek champion. There will be five divisions: ladies, junior, senior (ages 50-64), super senior (ages 65 and older), and open. Trophies will be awarded to top finishers in each division.

Fees: \$60 (Hunter and Taylors Creek Golf Club members), \$70 (active duty, retirees, DoD Civilians), and \$80 (civilian guests). Fees include greens and golf car fees and trophies.

The Taylors Creek clubhouse is in building 2150. For more information, call 767-2370.

#### Purchase 18 holes, get drinks free

Every Monday through Thursday, all during August, we'll help you stay cool by giving you two Powerades free when you purchase an 18-hole greens fee and golf car. For more information, call 767-2370.

#### Sign up for "Top of the Rock" Road Race

The "Top of the Rock Run," a 5K and 10K race that allows individuals and teams to demonstrate their

running endurance and ability, will take place between the Quick Track and Newman Fitness Center beginning at 9 a.m. Sept. 26.

Ten different age categories will be available for male and female competitors: 14 and under, 15-19, 20-24, 25-29, 30-34, 35-39, 40-44, 45-49, 50-54, plus 55 and Over. There also will be a 10K Team (10 members, minimum) competition.

Trophies will be awarded to the top three overall winners of the 5K and 10K male and female finishers, the top two finishers in each age category, and the top two teams.

Team competition runners may pre-register at the Bennett Sports Complex and the Tominac Fitness Center until Sept. 23. Individual runners may pre-register until Sept. 25.

The pre-registration cost for the 5K and 10K run for individuals is \$18. The cost for teams registering for the 10K team competition is \$15.

Registration will also be available on the day of the race and will cost \$25 for individual participants only.

For additional information, contact the Sports Office at 767-8238/8326.



Enjoy one of your favorites during the Italian Sunday Brunch 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Aug. 9 at Hunter Club, building 6015.

The menu will feature breakfast items; pasta station: bowtie pasta with spinach, mushrooms and marinara sauce, mozzarella and tomato with basil, penne with vegetables and Alfredo sauce; garlic bread, lasagna, Italian sausage with peppers and onions, chicken parmesan, Italian vegetables, roasted potatoes, assorted desserts and a winetasting.

The cost is \$11.95 per person, children ages 5-10 half price and ages 4 and under free. For more information, call 459-7923.



#### CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

## The Power of Hope

Chaplain (Maj) Albert Ghergich

3rd Sustainment Bde.

Victor Frankl, a Jewish prisoner in a Nazi concentration camp, discovered that it wasn't necessarily the physically strong and the healthy that survived the horrors of the concentration camps. It was the person who could envision life beyond the camp, the person who saw a future of freedom, a future beyond the barbed wire fences and cruel guards. Frankl said that "the prisoner who had lost faith in the future—his future was doomed." I think this holds true for us in our daily lives as well. Very often in life we find ourselves mired down by circumstances and situations that are beyond our control. It's so easy to get depressed and disgusted.

Hope is a powerful force. Hope dares to believe that things can be different—that a brighter future is possible. Two of my favorite scripture verses convey this truth:

In **Job 14:7-9**, we read, "If a tree is cut down, there is hope that it will sprout again and grow new branches. Though its roots have grown old in the earth and its stump decays, at the scent of water it may bud and sprout again like a new seedling."

In **Proverbs 24:16**, we learn, "They [the godly] may trip seven times, but each time they will rise again."

The question is not, "Have you tripped or fallen?" We all have. We all make mistakes. As someone once noted, "Every saint has a past and every sinner has a future." So the question is not, "Have you fallen?"; the question is, "Are you willing to stand up and try

again?" Are you willing to hope?

I once served as the chaplain for a rehab center where I worked with people struggling with powerful addictions. Hope was THE key to their success and survival. I taught them this acronym as a way to define hope: HOPE is having

H: healthy

O: optimistic

P: positive

E: expectations

Your past does not have to be your future. I once read, "Hope is stronger than memory. Salvation is stronger than sin. Forgiveness is stronger than bitterness. Light is stronger than darkness. Resurrection is stronger than crucifixion. Life is stronger than death. Hope is stronger than memory".

#### **Chapel Schedule Fort Stewart** Catholic Location Time Saturday Vigil Mass **Main Post Chapel** 5 p.m. **Main Post Chapel Sunday Mass** 9 a.m. **Protestant Contemporary Worship** Marne 11 a.m. **Gospel Worship Main Post** 11 a.m. **Traditional Worship** Marne 9 a.m. **Liturgical Worship** Heritage 11 a.m. Kids' Church **Diamond Elementary** 11 a.m. PWOC (Wednesday) Main Post Chapel 9:30 a.m. Islamic 1:30 p.m. Friday Jum'ah Marne Contact Yahya Hassan at 876-5546. **Jewish** Friday Heritage 11:30 a.m. Contact Sqt. 1st Class Crowther at 767-6717 **Latter-Day Saints** 220 Sandy Run Drive, Hinesville Sunday 9 a.m. **Hunter Army Airfield** Catholic **Sunday Mass** Chapel 11 a.m. **Protestant** Chapel **Sunday Service**

# Kids Church Where God rocks

10:45 a.m. to noon, Sunday at Stewart School Age Services, across from Diamond Elementary; or at Hunter Chapel Fellowship Hall at 9:15 a.m., Sunday

#### For all kids Grades K-5

#### Fort Stewart bus pick-up

10:15 a.m. - Liberty and Hendrich, Liberty and Sicily, Liberty and Anzio, Liberty and Rome

10:20 a.m. - Jasmine and Skyland Spruce, Jasmine and Liberty Wood, Wild Fern and Golden Birch

10:30 a.m. - Schofield and Sansidro, Schofield and Hollandia, Rogers and Argyle

10:40 a.m. - Naktong and New Guinea, Ormoc and New Guinea

10:50 a.m. - Marne Chapel

10:55 a.m. - Main Post Chapel

For more information, e-mail fortstewartkidschurch@yahoo.com.

## Fort Stewart Chapel Youth Ministry

Junior and Senior High School Students!

Join us for free games and pizza

Sundays • 6-8 p.m.

at the Stewart Youth Activity Center, building 7338.

For more information, contact jerry.e.thompson@comcast.net

or call 920-9982.

#### Weekday Catholic Schedule

#### **Roman Catholic Daily Mass:**

Mon, Weds - Fri at Main Post Chapel, 11:45 a.m.

#### **Roman Catholic Confession:**

Sat, Main Post Chapel, 4 – 4:30 p.m.

#### - PWOC Kick-off -

The Fort Stewart PWOC Fall Kick-off is Aug. 19 at the Main Post Chapel. They will meet from 9:30 a.m. - noon, every Wednesday at Main Post Chapel. Call 332-7139.

The Hunter Fall Kick-off is Sept. 10 at Hunter Army Airfield Post Chapel. They will meet from 9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m., every Thursday morning at Hunter Post Chapel. A light luncheon will follow. Call (404) 797-3097.

# Coastal Happenings Courtesy of the Coastal Courier

#### Low Country Paintball waives fees

Low Country Paintball invites community members to enjoy paintball by waiving all-day greens fees and gun rental fees for active duty military during the first weekend of each month.

Players can enjoy more than 150 guns across 63 acres. Group rates are available. For more information, call 663-2314.

#### Jesup arts and crafts nights ongoing

The South Georgia Gourd Patch, in affiliation with the Wayne County Arts Council, the Georgia Gourd Society and the American Gourd Society, invite community members for an evening of arts and crafts at Cracker Williams Recreation Park in Jesup every third Monday of the month at 7 p.m. For more information, call 294-7394, or e-mail *catsewg@bell-south.net*.

#### History comes to life, thanks to GHS

Join the Georgia Historical Society this summer for a series of entertaining and informative classes, workshops and tours on a variety of topics such as history, genealogy and archival preservation.

Classes and workshops will be held in the reading room of historic Hodgson Hall, GHS headquarters, at the corner of Whitaker and Gaston Streets in downtown Savannah. Tours will also begin in the reading room. Some class sizes are limited, so make your reservations early. GHS members will receive a 10 percent discount for all classes.

All classes, tours and workshops must meet a minimum enrollment. If you have questions, contact GHS at 651-2125, ext. 40.

#### 3rd ID Society reunion slated

The 3rd Infantry Division Society and attached units in wars and in peacetime will hold their 90th reunion, Sept. 16-20. The reunion will be held at the Clarion Hotel Springfield, 3333 S. Glenstone Ave.

Springfield, Mo., 65804; (417) 883-6500. Room rates are \$84 per night plus tax and includes breakfast and free airport transportation. For additional information, contact Linda Irvine at (360) 663-2521, or *info@thereunionbrat.com*.

#### **Operation Homefront offers help**

Operation Homefront is now able to help financially strapped Families afford sports team registrations, cultural and art classes for children of Georgia servicemembers. If you have questions, call Christina Anthony or Ashley Carpenter at 368-9622.

#### Camp slated for special needs kids

The Lowcountry Down Syndrome Society has proudly launched a Summer Camp for children with Down Syndrome. The LDSS will be holding its next summer camp in Savannah at Marsh Point Elementary School.

The camp is geared for children ages 3 to 6 with Down Syndrome. Many educational and recreational activities are designed with these kids in mind. Speech, physical and occupational therapists are on board to help campers exercise motor and speech skills among other areas that may need improvement.

The program will be held 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Friday, beginning Camps are funded in part by money raised through the organization's annual Down Syndrome Buddy Walk held each October, which allows camp participants to pay just \$30 for the three-day camp. The fourth annual Buddy Walk is planned for Oct. 3 at Savannah's Forsyth Park. For more information or to register, call 728-8505, or visit http://www.ldssga.org.

#### Calling all Zetas

Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. recently chartered a new chapter in Hinesville. The organization invites all members in the Hinesville/Fort Stewart area to join the Hinesville chapter each first Saturday of the

month at the Veterans of Foreign War Post 6602, located at 931 E G Parkway. Zeta Phi Beta is a community-conscious, action-oriented organization founded Jan. 16, 1920 on the campus of Howard University in Washington, D.C.

Zeta chapters have given millions hours of voluntary service to educate the public, assist youth, provide scholarships, support organized charities and promote legislation for social change. The Hinesville chapter invites all members to help continue this tradition of service. For more information or to attend a chapter meeting, contact Rhonda Lawson at 253-576-2230, or Alisha Johnson at 912-220-8137.

#### **Georgia Historical Society Awarded**

The Georgia Historical Society is pleased to announce that it has been awarded a Museums for America grant by the Institute of Museum and Library Services to assist GHS in its ongoing efforts to provide access to GHS collections online, thereby expanding audiences for history.

The Georgia Historical Society will use the IMLS award to carry out its project, Expanding Audiences for History: Access for a New Century, a technology initiative.

The grant funds will be used for electronically cataloging artifacts, portraits, and maps. Once complete, these collection items will be searchable through the GHS online catalog, and images of the artifacts will be visible through the World Wide Web.

The Georgia Historical Society, headquartered in Savannah, is the oldest cultural institution in the state and one of the oldest historical organizations in the nation. It is the first and only statewide historical society in Georgia. For nearly 175 years, GHS has collected, preserved, and shared Georgia history through a variety of educational outreach programs, publications, and research services. For more information visit: www.georgiahistory.com.

# Garden City holds NNO



Kaytrina Curtis

Ashly Oneal (center) of Savannah and Rachel Scholes (right) of Effingham listen as Air Force Staff Sgt. Tim Johnson, 15th Air Support Operations Squadron, Tactical Air Control Party details the abilities of the MRC-144 vehicle weapon system during the Garden City National Night Out celebration, Aug. 4.

# Free concerts scheduled

Community members are invited to the fun as the Hinesville Arts Council again sponsors the Blues and BBQ music fest 4 to 11 p.m., Sept. 19 in Hinesville's downtown Bradwell Park. The Eric Culberson band headlines in what is sure to be a memorable evening. The council also hosts Fat Back and the Groove Band at the August Lunchtime concert in the park, scheduled for 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., Aug. 21 in Bradwell Park. More information about concerts, activities and events can be found at HinesvilleArts.com.

### Stewart, Hunter Community Showcases

Stewart and Hunter communities will exhibit activities and events from the surrounding area, Sept. 9 at Club Stewart and Sept. 10 at Hunter Club from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. both days. Come fill your calendar with fun and exciting events for the whole Family.

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Sgt. Johnathon Jobson

Sergeant Jason Villafane praises his military working dog partner, Perda, after a demonstration of take down techniques during the Hinesville National Night Out events. Sgt. Villafane and Perda are part of the Headquarters Detachment, 385th MP Battalion.

Soldiers and Army Civilians from various offices and units on Fort Stewart also participated in the events. Fort Stewart police officers, Maryanne Dickerson and Sean Weaver represented the on-post D.A.R.E. program.

"I am impressed with Fort Stewart. "They always send maximum participation," said Officer Williams.

The 385th Military Police Battalion had one of their military working dog teams on hand for demonstrations and to show the cooperation between the civilian police department and the military police.

"I feel privileged to show that the military works with civilians," said Sgt. Jason Villafane, a military policemen and working dog handler with Headquarters Detachment, 385th MP Battalion. "I also like to demonstrate to the civilians the capabilities of the military working dogs such as the explosive aspects and the attack work that we implement in garrison and combat situations."

This year's NNO event was not graced by good weather as it has been in past years. Even with scattered showers, both supporters and participants still made their way to Bradwell Park to show their commitment to the event.

"What you see today is about half of what you usually see for National Night Out," Officer Williams explained. "All and all, by the ones you can see that still came out even though it is raining, you can see how they support each other and the civilian and military communities. Even with the bad weather, this is still a good turn out."

With tremendous support from the local civilian and military communities, Hinesville's 3rd annual National Night out was a successful event to bring together the community and strengthen the bonds between the police and the citizens.

#### **BIRTHS**

#### July 20

*Jason Alexander Yarber*, a boy, 6 pounds, 7 ounces, born to Master Sgt. Steven A. Yarber and Jacqueline K. Yarber.

#### July 23

*Rylee Rae McDaniel*, a girl, 8 pounds, 9 ounces, born to Pfc. Nicholas McDaniel and Casondra McDaniel.

*Kyris Tylee Morse*, a boy, 7 pounds, 10 ounces, born to Sgt. Christopher L. Morse and Cherl M. Morse.

#### July 24

*Alexzandria Virginia Hull*, a girl, 7 pounds, 8 ounces, born to Sgt. Robert S. Hull and Jeroselle Torio Hull.

Ralene Lei Ko'i'ulaokeanuenuelani Oclinaria, a girl, 6 pounds, 8 ounces, born to Spc. Francisco Nanaikapono Oclinaria and Cladi Marie Pomaikaiokeanuenuelani Oclinaria.



Morgynne Lee Dodds, a girl, 9 pounds, 4 ounces, born to Pvt. Matheau W. Dodds and Natalie Tuma.

*Jackson Penn Shelnutt*, a boy, 10 pounds, 7 ounces, born to Capt. Jeffrey M. Shelnutt and Karyn R. Shelnutt.

#### July 25

*Christina Danielle Hart*, a girl, 7 pounds, 15 ounces, born to Pfc. Matthew James Hart and Samantha Hart.

*Erik Maurice Guiher*, a boy, 6 pounds, 14 ounces, born to Sgt. Andrew Guiher and Sgt. Jody Guiher.

*Maddison Danielle Jones*, a girl, 9 pounds, 13 ounces, born to Sgt. Brian D. Jones and Jessica Jones.

*Ryder Mathew Martinez*, a boy, 9 pounds, 7 ounces, born to Pfc. Jason N. Martinez and Bridgette Martinez.

*Angel Alejandro Ruiz*, a boy, 7 pounds, 6 ounces, born to Pvt. Jose Alejandro Ruiz and Karina Ruiz

Stella Joi Smith, a girl, 8 pounds, 11 ounces, born to 1st Lt. Earnest Smith and Rachael Smith.

#### July 26

*Ishanti Tiana Brockington*, a girl, 7 pounds, 13 ounces, born to 1st Sgt. Isadore Brockington and Tamika Brockington.

*Ambria Kay Monson*, a girl, 7 pounds, 8 ounces, born to Spc. Corey Edward Monson and Tricia Kay Monson.

#### July 27

*Gage Garrett Owens*, a boy, 5 pounds, 4 ounces, born to Spc. Michael Don Owens and Katie Ann Owens.

*Jaelyn Aniya Peruciel*, a girl, 6 pounds, 3 ounces, born to Spc. Michael Peruciel and Monica Peruciel.

#### July 28

Arterius Frank Hardy, a boy, 6 pounds, 11 ounces, born to Arthur F. Hardy and Pfc. Falisha Spencer-Hardy.

Saoirse Kathleen Harlan, a girl, 6 pounds, 10 ounces, born to Capt. David Harlan and Capt.

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Jennifer Harlan.

Daniel Robert Olson, a boy, 4 pounds, 11 ounces, born to Capt. Robert Lloyd Olson and Katherine

*Madison Marie Widelko*, a girl, 7 pounds, 9 ounces, born to Sgt. Michael S. Widelko and Maria E Widelko.

#### July 29

Marie Olson.

*Makyla Ann Marie Allen*, a girl, 6 pounds, 1 ounce, born to Pfc. Joshua Phillip Allen and Melinda Rae Allen.

*Angelisa Rosalie Faber*, a girl, 6 pounds, 7 ounces, born to Pfc. Christopher Allen Faber and Carmela Rosalie Faber.

#### July 30

*Yareli Stafanie Cermeno*, a girl, 7 pounds, 4 ounces, born to Sgt. Reinaldo Cermeno and Spc. Ruby Cermeno.

*Liam Timothy Connolly*, a boy, 9 pounds, 1 ounce, born to Sgt. Neil Connolly and Shanna Connolly.

Allison Ann James, a girl, 7 pounds, 8 ounces, born to Spc. Tad Horton James and Lori Ann James.

#### July 31

*Yunes Ernesto Valenzuela*, a boy, 9 pounds, 3 ounces, born to Sgt. 1st Class Ernesto A. Valenzuela and Raja Valenzuela.

*Emma Grace Wrightsman*, a girl, 4 pounds, 9 ounces, born to Sgt. John T. Wrightsman and Amanda K. Wrightsman.

#### August 1

*Makenzie Ann Marie Bisaillon*, a girl, 6 pounds, 12 ounces, born to Spc. Joshua M. Bisaillon and Kathryn Pauline Bisaillon-Winters.

#### August 2

*Dakota James Nutter*, a boy, 7 pounds, 9 ounces, born to Pvt. Daniel Timothy Nutter and Pfc. Danielle Nicole Nutter.

## **Army Community Service**



#### **Solutions for Successful Army Living**

ACS classes are free and open to: Active Duty, Army Reserve, National Guard, Family members, Retirees and Department of Army Civilians. ACS is a member of the Morale, Welfare and Recreation Family, proudly serving America's military.

#### View ACS calendar of classes online

Visit the Team Stewart website to view the current ACS calendar of classes. Visit *www.stewart.army.mil* (from the FAMILY menu, select Army Community Service, and click on the link to view our current calendar. With more than 40 classes and workshops available, the online calendar is your one-stop source for complete class listings.

#### Discipline help for parents offered

A fun, interactive 3-session class entitled 1,2,3,4 Parents begins today at Stewart and continues on Aug. 13 and 20 from 4 to 6 p.m. Learn effective ways to use positive discipline techniques that work. These skills will help make everyone's life in your home easier! Parents with children up to age 4 will learn child development stages, age-appropriate discipline, and how to establish routines for your active pre-school child. To receive a certificate of attendance, you must attend all three sessions. The class repeats at Hunter on Aug. 11, 18, and 25 from 2 to 4 p.m.

Also at Hunter, parents with children ages 1 to 5 are invited to Active Parenting Now to learn how to improve communication with their children, how to handle problems as they arise, and how to encourage your children to be their very best. Call ACS-Hunter at 315-6816 to enroll for the 3-session workshop, Aug. 10, 17, and 24.

#### Learn Leadership Skills with AFTB

Family members are encouraged to register for free training offered by Army Family Team Building. Three levels of training give you the tools to succeed as an Army Family

Level I is targeted toward those new to the Army, covering military terms and acronyms, the chain of command, introduction to military customs and courtesies, basic military benefits and entitlements, military and community resources and more, Tuesday and Wednesday at Hunter from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Level II focuses on personal development and encourages emerging leadership with instruction in personal time management, conflict management, creative problem solving, crisis coping, and more, Tuesday through Thursday at Stewart from 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Level III provides training to enhance professional growth and leadership opportunities for Family Members, especially those who might assume advisory and mentoring roles within the unit and community, Aug. 25-27 at Stewart from 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

#### Couples invited to learn love languages

Do you know your partner's "love language?" Couples are invited to a Couples Communication class to learn the five basic love languages and identify their own love language preference and that of their partner. Once you know your individual long-language styles, your relationship can be enriched by practicing communicating in your partner's love language. Call 767-5058/5059 to register for the two-session class at Stewart beginning Tuesday (continues Aug. 18) from 6 to 8 p.m.

#### Meet other spouses for support

Hearts Apart is open to any spouse whose loved one is away, whether in training for more than two weeks, on assignment far from home, or deployed. Come chat with others who are also experiencing their Soldier's absence. Hearts Apart meets Tuesday at Hunter at 1 p.m. Children are always welcome at spouse groups, and feel free to invite a friend!

For information on spouse groups, call 767-5058/5059 at Stewart or 315-6816 at Hunter.

#### **Learn Key Caller duties**

New or seasoned FRG Key Callers are invited to training to learn an overview of Key Caller duties, along with skills for successfully communicating with Family Members, dispelling rumors, handling crisis calls, and how the Key Caller fits into a successful Family Readiness Group. Call 315-6816 to register for either Saturday's session from 10:30 a.m. to noon or Tuesday's evening session from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., both at Hunter.

#### **Volunteer Managers invited to training**

Everyone who manages volunteers is invited to attend Volunteer Management Information System training to learn the online program that tracks volunteer hours. You will learn tips and techniques to approve applications, manage volunteer records, and more. Call 767-5058/5059 to register for the workshop at Stewart, Wednesday from 9 to 11 a.m.

At Hunter, Volunteer Management Training teaches tips for a successful volunteer screening process, placement of volunteers, and how a thorough orientation for volunteers can capture their emotional commitment to the mission of the organization and give them a sense of belonging. Call 315-6816 to register for the Aug. 21 workshop from 9 to 10:30 a.m.

#### Attend home buying working

A Home Buyer Education Workshop will be offered at both Hunter and Stewart locations. Learn to compare the benefits of purchasing vs. renting, determine how much you can really afford, and successfully navigate through the home buying process. Veteran's Affairs will be available to discuss programs, and certificates will be issued for the Georgia Dream home buying program.

Investing in a home is one of the largest purchases you will make, so take advantage of this educational workshop and become an informed home buyer.

Call 315-6816 to register for the workshop at Hunter on Aug. 20, or 767-5058/5059 for the workshop at Stewart on Aug. 22, both from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. (lunch is included).

#### **Come to Parent Power Hour**

Join together with other parents to share your parenting concerns and experiences, 2 to 4 p.m. at ACS-Hunter every Thursday. At Stewart, Parent Power Hour meets next, Aug. 17 at noon. Call your local ACS for more information.

Also ask about a home visit by one of our experienced professionals who can answer your important parenting concerns in the privacy of your own home.

#### Rear Detachment Course offered

Officers and noncommissioned officers that will be slotted as rear detachment commanders and first sergeants are invited to "Rear D" training. Topics concentrate on the effective accomplishment of military-related missions and responsibilities, including personnel management, casualty procedures and working with Families and Family Readiness Groups. Call 767-5058/5059 to register for the 2-day workshop, Aug. 18 and 19 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

#### Submit issues to Army leadership

The Army Family Action Plan conference will be held at Stewart Oct. 6-8. AFAP is an Army-wide program to improve Army quality of life.

Through AFAP, all members of the Army, including active, Reserve, and National Guard Soldiers, Family Members, retirees, surviving spouses, Army Civilians, and military technicians have a forum to voice concerns to Army leadership and make recommendations for change. You may submit issues on the Team Stewart Web site, *www.stewart.army.mil* (click on the AFAP logo on the home page). If issues impact only the local community, they are resolved locally. If they have a broader scope, they are sent forward and evaluated for submission into the Army AFAP.

About 95 percent of AFAP issues are retained and worked at the local level and result in ongoing community improvements. For more information, call your local ACS.

## Youth go back to school in style

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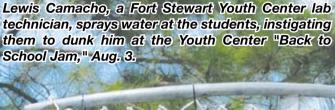
The Youth Center held a "Back to School Jam" to bring the pep and spirit back into children's step when they enter the school season once again, Aug. 3.

The fun began at 1 p.m. and lasted until 5 p.m., offering many different games and activities in which children and their Families could participate. Many dry activities were offered, from flag football, kick ball, and badminton, all the way to a child's bouncy ball play pin.

When they wanted to cool off, children could participate in splashing activities such as water volleyball, balloon toss, dunking booth, and water fights. Once out of energy, children and Families made their way to the food tent where hotdogs and hamburgers were offered, along with water and a variety of fruit juices. Shade tents were available for people to cool down and snack a bit while watching children sing and dance as part of their own talent show.

On that same stage, School Age Services was given an award for being one of the top programs out of many. All staff members who worked at the Youth Center pitched in, each running different activities to make the whole event possible.

The results of this event were more than satisfying, with plenty of people participating, making a fun day for everyone!





Photos by Nadine Benjamin

UPPER RIGHT: Bradwell Institute junior, AJ Johnson, plays basketball on the sidelines at the Youth Center "Back to School Jam." Aug. 3.

RIGHT: Joshua David, age 12, launches a ball toward the dunking booth at the Fort Stewart's Youth Center "Back to School Jam," Aug. 3.

